

# The Enlisted Voice

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#### S C H E D U L E <u>Quarterly meetings</u>: 03 December 2024

03 December 2024 04 February 2025 06 May 2025

\* light dinner served at 1800hrs, meeting starts at 1830 hours at the Bordentown Armory

#### Annual EANGNJ

Joint Conference: 7-9 March 2025 Ocean Place Resort and Spa Long Branch, NJ

Annual Business meeting Enlisted Professional Development Annual Awards dinner

Scholarships: Applications will be accepted starting 1 January 2025

<u>Awards Boards</u>: Nomination packages due January 2025. Bulletin coming soon!

54<sup>th</sup> EANGUS Conference: Reno, Nevada 11-14 Aug 2025

Annual Area 1 Caucus Mtg: Virtual details coming soon!



#### PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Your Executive Council members recently attended the 53<sup>RD</sup> EANGUS Conference in the "Motor City", hosted by the Detroit National Guard and the Area 1, 8 States Strong Caucus in Syracuse, NY. We have been working hard in collaborating with our national office to improve and protect the benefits of the men and women serving in the National Guard and their families. In an increasinly interconnected world, the role of nonprofit organizations and professional military associations like ours is paramount.

EANGUS members should review and update their profiles on their state's association website. Please ensure your profile is current, AND your email in the system should NOT be .mil email addresses (emailes are being blocked/undeliverable). Please make sure your personal email address is in the system to avoid any issues.

As always, membership numbers continue to be a constant struggle. If your membership has expired, we ask that you renew your membership. We also encourage our members to educate our enlisted Soldiers and Airmen on EANGUS' purpose and benefits, in hopes of increasing our membership. We are always available to come out and give a briefing on EANGNJ/EANGUS – feel free to email our Executive Board members (email info is on back).



#### **Legislative Priorities**

- 1. Comprehensive health care coverage
- 2. Support for childcare and family programs
- 3. Enhanced educational benefits
- 4. Equitable pay and retirement compensation
- 5. Modernization of equipment and training

For more information on this or any other issues concerning the National Guard, please contact:

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# Join one of our committees

Membership Arrangements Junior Enlisted Team (JET) Publicity/Public Relations Finance/Budget Constitution/By-Laws Corporate Sponsorship Legislative Scholarship Awards Insurance Resolutions Nominating Webmaster



### Membership

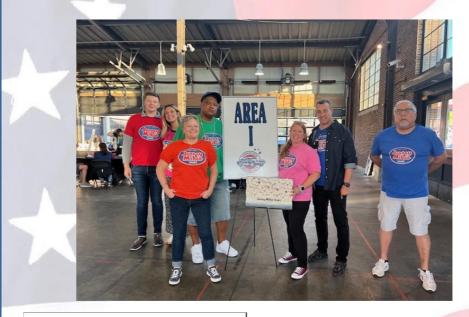
\$30 A YEAR (\$13.00 of the membership fee goes to EANGUS). Your membership also includes a membership with the Association of the United States Army.

Visit us at: <u>www.eangnj.org</u> National: <u>www.eangus.org</u>

#### Did you know?

**Amazon** gives \$\$ back to EANGUS. It's called Amazon Smiles - go to smiles.amazon.com when you order from Amazon.

We Care for America (WCFA)– Last year, Soldiers and Airmen from New Jersey received over 63 grants and 15 loans from WCFA. The EANGUS WCFA is an IRS 501(c) 3 charity arm of EANGUS. It provides several opportunities: emergency financial grants; scholarships; and recognition awards. There are two types of emergency financial grants: individual and disaster. https://eangus-wcfa.org/



EANGNJ contributed to the Best Warrior Competition this year assisting in providing awards to the winners.



What can EANGNJ do for you? Give us a chance to show off our new items! Reach out to any member of our executive board and we will come to you!

# **Executive Board**

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